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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ENRG, PFOR, TECH, JA
SUBJECT: FUEL CYCLE EVALUATION PROGRAM

REF: STATE 91828

1. SCICOUNS AND POLITICAL OFFICER DELIVERED NON-PAPER TO OKAWA, DIRGEN OF UN BUREAU, FOREIGN MINISTRY, ON 2/25. OKAWA SAID THAT HE WOULD DISTRIBUTE PAPER TO SENIOR GOJ OFFICIALS ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS AND WOULD CABLE IT IMMEDIATELY TO GOJ DELEGATION NOW IN LONDON. EMBOFFS AND OKAWA AGREED THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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EXISTENCE OF NON-PAPER WOULD NOT BE REVEALED PUBLICLY.

2. EMBOFFS EXPLAINED NATURE OF PAPER, USING PARAS 1 AND 2 REFTTEL FOR BACKGROUND. OKAWA EXPRESSED SURPRISE THAT USG ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THERE HAD BEEN ADVERSE REACTION TO ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW NUCLEAR POLICY AND IN FACT SAID THAT HE WAS UNAWARE THAT THERE HAD BEEN DIS-

CUSSION OF U.S. NUCLEAR POLICY AT IAEA FEB. BOARD OF GOVERNORS
MEETING, SINCE THIS PREDATED APRIL 7 PRESIDENTIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

3. OKAWA THEN ASKED IF ANY PART OF NON-PAPER ADDRESSED
ITSELF TO SPECIFIC GOJ PROBLEM OF OPERATIONS AT TOKAI
REPROCESSING PLANT; HIS ATTENTION WAS CALLED
PARA III (B)(3). HE OBSERVED THAT STUDIES ON REPROCESSING
THAT ARE BEING PROPOSED WOULD TAKE CONSIDERABLE TIME TO
PLAN AND CARRY OUT, AND PROPOSAL DID NOT MENTION
EXPERIMENTAL WORK. THEREFORE, IT WAS NOT CLEAR TO HIM
THAT JAPANESE PROPOSAL FOR DEMONSTRATION USE OF TOKAI IN
DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVES TO CONVENTIONAL URANIUM
PLUTONIUM CYCLE WERE ACCOMMODATED BY INFCEP, AND HE WOULD
ASK THAT THIS QUESTION BE RAISED IN LONDON TALKS THIS
WEEK. (EMBOFFS DID NOT VOLUNTEER FYI PARA OF REFTTEL.)

4. OKAWA'S COMMENTS ON OTHER SUBJECTS FOLLOW SEPTTEL TO
DEPARTMENT AND LONDON.
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